Manager Office or in some Post offices in various sectors and this arrangement is proving inadequate due to large scale expansion of different telephone exchanges in the district;

(b) whether a large number of telephone connections have been disconnected during the last three months due to lack of so-ordination between the district office and the post offices since credits of the paid bills are not posted in the respective accounts of subscribers; if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) what steps are contemplated to review and streamline the present arrangement to safeguard the interests of telephone subscribers and avoid unnecessary inconvenience to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes Sir. Payment of telephone bills of Faridabad subscribers are accepted at seven District Office counters, as well as in authorised post offices. At present, the arrangement is considered to be adequate.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Separate telephone Directory for Faridabad

4482. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that printing of names of telephone subscribers of Faridabad District in the Delhi Telephone Directory have been stopped for last two years, without publishing a separate Telephone Directory of Faridabad Telephones;

(b) if so, the reasons and justification therefor; and

(c) by when a separate telephones Directory of Faridabad subscribers is likely to be printed and made available and reasons for delay for not taking timely action by the Faridabad telephone authorities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKHRAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The territorial jurisdiction of M.T.N.L., New Delhi does not cover Faridabad Telephone District.

(c) Separate telephone directory of Faridabad SSA is likely to be printed and made available during the calandar year 1995. Since a telephone directory is prepared or the Faridabad SSA for the first time, it has taken time for preparation of manuscripts and finalisation of tender documents.

Allotment of SD/STD Public Telephones

4483. SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND:
DR. RANBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the criteria followed in the matter of allotment of a ISD/STD public telephone;

(b) whether retired Government servants are denied this in out opportunity; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether waiting list for ISD/STD public telephones upto registration No. SP-214 has since been cleared under Gurgaon Main Exchange in Haryana; if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(d) whether some applicants have neither been issued the public telephones nor any communications have been sent to them in this regard so far; if so, what are the reasons therefor and by when they likely to be provided the ISD/STD public telephones?